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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12 Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20544

Re: *Ex Parte Notice in WC Docket No. 06-172*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, COMPTEL hereby gives notice that, on November 16, 2007, its representatives, and representatives of its member companies, met with Commissioner Robert McDowell and with John Hunter, Chief of Staff and Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Robert McDowell. In this meeting, COMPTEL urged the Commission to deny the six forbearance petitions in the above-referenced docket. COMPTEL explained that Verizon had failed to demonstrate that its requests for forbearance would promote competition or that consumers would be adequately protected in the absence of the current rules.

Attending the meeting were: David Malfara of Remi Communications, Jim Butman of TDS MetroCom, Greg Kennan of One Communications, Andy Lipman of Bingham McCutchen, Brad Mutschelknaus of Kelley Drye & Warren, Thomas Jones of Willkie Farr & Gallagher, Jerry James of COMPTEL, and the undersigned attorney.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Lee